

**§ 20-309.2. Insurer shall notify Division of actions on insurance policies.**

(a) Notice Required. – An insurer shall notify the Division upon any of the following with regard to a motor vehicle liability policy:

- (1) Issues a new or replacement policy.
- (2) Terminates a policy, either by cancellation or failure to renew, unless the same insurer issues a replacement policy complying with this Article at the same time the insurer terminates the old policy and no lapse in coverage results.
- (3) Reinstates a policy after the insurer has notified the Division of a cancellation or termination.

(b) Time Period. – An insurer shall notify the Division as required by subsection (a) of this section within 20 business days.

(c) Form of Notice. – Any insurer with twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) or more in annual vehicle insurance premium volume shall submit the notices required under this section by electronic means. All other insurers may submit the notices required under this section by either paper or electronic means.

(d) Trade Secret Protection. – The names of insureds and the beginning date and termination date of insurance coverage provided to the Division by an insurer under this section constitutes a designated trade secret under G.S. 132-1.2.

(e) Civil Penalty. – The Commissioner of Insurance may assess a civil penalty of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) against an insurer that fails to notify the Division as required by this section. The Commissioner may waive the penalty if the insurer establishes good cause for the failure.

(f) Clear Proceeds of Penalties. – The clear proceeds of all civil penalties, civil forfeitures, and civil fines that are collected by the Department of Transportation pursuant to this section shall be remitted to the Civil Penalty and Forfeiture Fund in accordance with G.S. 115C-457.2. (2006-213, s. 1; 2007-484, s. 7(b).)